

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4-24 and 26-41 are pending in this application.

Claims 7, 19-22, 32 and 35-39 are allowed.

Claims 9, 10, 13, 29, 30, 33 and 34 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Applicants have added the limitations of allowable claim 9 to independent claims 1 and 41, and canceled claim 9. The limitation of allowable claim 10 has been added to independent claim 23. The limitation of allowable claim 13 has been added to independent claim 26. Independent claim 27 has been amended to include the limitation of allowable claim 29. Dependent claims 33 and 34 have amended to depend from claim 1.

In view of the foregoing amendments, all rejections set forth in the Office Action are moot.

For the reasons set forth above, Applicants submit that claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-24, 26-39 and 41 are allowable and request that this case be passed to issue. However, if any issue remains to be resolved, Applicants request that the Examiner telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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